

Introduced: 2/8/65  
Referred: Health, Wel-  
fare and Education and  
Finance

1 IN THE HOUSE-

RULES COMMITTEE  
BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 96

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FOURTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the transportation of  
7 the mentally ill; and providing for an  
8 effective date."

9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

10 \* Section 1. AS 47.30.110 is amended to read:

11 Sec. 47.30.110. TRANSPORTATION. When an individual is  
12 to be hospitalized under Secs. 10 - 340 of this chapter, the  
13 department shall arrange, upon the request of a person having  
14 a proper interest in the individual's hospitalization, and is  
15 authorized to pay for the individual's transportation to the  
16 designated hospital, with appropriate medical or nursing  
17 attendants and by the available means which are appropriate  
18 and suitable. The department may pay return transportation  
19 of an individual and appropriate medical and nursing attend-  
20 ants after a finding under Secs. 10 - 340 of this chapter  
21 that the individual is not mentally ill. When practicable,  
22 a relative or friend of the individual to be hospitalized  
23 shall be permitted to accompany him. [BE ACCOMPANIED BY  
24 ONE OR MORE OF HIS RELATIVES OR FRIENDS, WHO SHALL TRAVEL  
25 AT THEIR OWN EXPENSE.] The department may pay necessary  
26 travel, housing and meal expenses incurred by any relative  
27 or friend in accompanying the individual to the hospital if  
28 the department determines:

29 (1) that the best interests of the individual's

1  
2  
3  
4  
5  
6  
7  
8  
9  
10  
11  
12  
13  
14  
15  
16  
17  
18  
19  
20  
21  
22  
23  
24  
25  
26  
27  
28  
29

health require that he be accompanied by the relative or friend; and

(2) the relative or friend accompanying the individual is indigent.

When necessary, the department shall arrange for a peace officer or other suitable person to accompany the individual.

\* Sec. 2. This Act takes effect on the day after its passage and approval, or on the day it becomes law without such approval.